

Testing to Begin for Census Workers

The U.S. Census is about to begin a targeted effort in Mt.Vernon to recruit workers to take the census next spring. Census takers (also known as enumerators) are hired to make sure our city is represented as accurately as possible. Their primary responsibility is to collect census information from residents that have not sent back their 2010 census form. They also explain the purpose of the census and record their responses.

Census takers will be placed in their own communities. These temporary jobs have flexible schedules and will not exceed 40 hours per week. Census takers will be paid for training and reimbursed for work-related travel.

Testing to become a census taker begins next week. To apply, call 1-866-861-2010 to schedule an appointment to take the census test. Applicants may not show up at a testing site without an appointment. For more information, including a practice test, go to the [jobs@census](mailto:jobs@census.gov) link at www.census.gov.

All census takers must pass a security background check. To qualify for a job with the census, applicants must:

- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Be at least 18 years old
- Have a valid Social Security Number
- Have a valid Driver's License
- Bring 2 forms of approved ID to testing site